PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Anthonius J. SWAAK

Application No.: 08/817,704

Filed: August 25, 1997

Group Art Unit: 1644

Examiner: G. Ewoldt

Attorney Dkt. No.: 108214-07002

For: USE OF ERYTHROPOIETIN IN THE TREATMENT OF RHEUMATOID

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Date: January 28, 2003

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Sir:

Applicant petitions for an extension of time for one month for response to the outstanding Office Action dated September 30, 2002 from December 30, 2002 to January 30, 2003.

Please find attached a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the fee for the extension of time discussed above. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 01-2300, making reference to Attorney Docket No. 108214-07002.

Respectfully submitted.

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